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SUMMARY: THE PARADE OF OFFICIAL VISITORS TO AND--
TO A LESSER EXTENT--FROM FINLAND THIS AUTUMN WAS
AUGMENTED BY REPORTS IN LOCAL PRESS OVER WEEKEND
THAT USSR'S PODGORNYY AND EAST GERMANY'S STOPH
EXPECTED TO VISIT FINLAND IN OCTOBER. ALSO
REPORTED ARE VISITS THIS MONTH TO AUSTRIA BY
PRIME MINISTER SORSA AND TO GENEVA BY FOREIGN
MINISTER KARJALAINEN. KARJALAINEN'S GENEVA STOP
PROMPTED BY CONTINUED HIGH PRIORITY FINLAND ASSIGNS
TO CSCE. END SUMMARY.

1. ALTHOUGH NOT YET ANNOUNCED OFFICIALLY CONSER-
VATIVE NEWSPAPER UUSI SUOMI PUBLISHED REPORT
SEPTEMBER 14 THAT USSR PRESIDENT PODGORNYY EXPECTED
TO VISIT FINLAND IN MID-OCTOBER. TIMING WOULD
COINCIDE WITH 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF FINNISH-SOVIET
FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY.

2. PODGORNYY'S VISIT WOULD BE FOURTH BY COMMUNIST
LEADER TO FINLAND THIS FALL. CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY
SECRETARY HUSAK ARRIVED TODAY, SEPTEMBER 16, AND
EAST GERMANY'S WILLI STOPH IS EXPECTED OCTOBER 3.
POLAND'S EDWARD GIEREK IS EXPECTED IN NOVEMBER,
ACCORDING TO UUSI SUOMI SOURCES. THIS HEAVY LINE-
UP OF EAST EUROPEAN LEADERS IS COINCIDENCE, ACCORD
ING TO THE FINNS (HUSAK'S VISIT POSTPONED FROM
LAST SPRING), BUT IS BOUND TO PROVOKE ADVERSE
COMMENT FROM THOSE WHO FEEL FINLAND'S NEUTRALITY
UNABLANCED.

3. ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LEDGER IS THE
RECENTLY COMPLETED VISIT OF HOLLAND'S QUEEN
JULIANA--WHICH PROCEEDED WITH DUE POMP AND
CIRCUMSTANCE AND CONSIDERABLE PUBLICITY FOR
DUTCH. UNTIL HIS GOVERNMENT'S RESIGNATION
TURKISH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT HAD BEEN EXPECTED SEPTEMBER
25. SWEDEN'S CARL XVI GUSTAF IS DUE IN MID-
NOVEMBER.

4. ALTHOUGH FINLAND'S PRESIDENT KEKKONEN IS NOT
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SCHEDULED FOR ANY FOREIGN TRAVEL IN NEAR FUTURE,
FOLLOWING HIS "FISHING TRIP" TO SOVIET UNION
SEPTEMBER 7 TO 9, PRIME MINISTER KALEVI SORSA WILL
LEAVE FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO HUNGARY ON
SEPTEMBER 18. ON HIS WAY BACK HE WILL STOP OFF IN
VIENNA FOR A CHAT WITH SOCIALIST
INTERNATIONAL COLLEAGUE PRIME MINISTER KREISKY.
ALSO, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, FOREIGN MIINISTER

KARJALAINEN WILL MAKE FIRST FINNISH MINISTERIAL
VISIT TO WEST GERMANY LATER THIS WEEK ON HIS WAY
TO UNGA.

5. ON HIS RETURN FROM NEW YORK KARJALAINEN
WILL STOP IN GENEVA FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS,
PROBABLY SEPTEMBER 27 AND 28. ACCORDING TO
SUOMENMAA, THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF KARJALAINEN'S
CENTRE PARTY, HIS PURPOSE IS TO HAVE "UNOFFICIAL
CONVERSATIONS" WITH LEADERS OF VARIOUS CSCE
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